



2007-2009 CTED Capital Programs Competitive Grants

*Matching grants for
major capital facilities
projects by Washington
nonprofit organizations*

Building for the Arts



Community Services Facilities



Youth Recreational Facilities



Dates set for upcoming grant application process

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<i>Lead staff</i>	Michael Kendall, Steven Salmi	Michael Kendall	Steven Salmi
<i>How much money is available?</i>	May fund up to 20 percent of eligible project costs, with a maximum award of \$1 million. The Legislature <i>may</i> award up to \$6 million in projects.	May fund up to 25 percent of eligible project costs, with a maximum award of \$300,000. The Legislature <i>may</i> award up to \$3 million in projects.	May fund up to 25 percent of eligible project costs, with a maximum award of \$400,000.** The Legislature <i>may</i> award up to \$6 million in projects.
<i>Are there any program-specific eligibility requirements?</i>	Applicant must have an arts-related or cultural focus. Community centers are not eligible. Applicants may concurrently submit a grant application to the State Historical Society's Capital Projects Fund. However, you may not receive grants from both programs in the same biennium.	For non-residential projects with a major youth recreational component <i>and</i> a social service or an education component. Outdoor ball field projects are not eligible.	For non-residential, community-based social service projects. Community centers, senior centers, camp facilities, and facilities that provide medical services are not eligible, but outpatient mental health facilities will be considered.
<i>What are rules on mixed-use facilities?</i>	Will be considered, but funded at the rate of 20 percent of the eligible capital cost of the arts-related component only.	Will be considered, but funded at the rate of 25 percent of the eligible capital costs.	Will be considered, but funded at the rate of 25 percent of the eligible capital cost of the social services-related component only.
<i>Application Materials available</i>	By Friday, March 24, 2006	By Friday, April 14, 2006	By Friday, May 5, 2006
<i>Application deadline *</i>	Friday, May 5, 2006 at 5 p.m.	Friday, May 26, 2006 at 5 p.m.	Friday, June 16, 2006 at 5 p.m.

* Postmarked or received at our office by this date and time. These deadlines are strictly enforced.

** The CSF Advisory Board is considering a proposal to raise the maximum award to \$500,000; any changes will be announced in application materials.

Grant application workshops

	<i>BUILDING FOR THE ARTS</i>	<i>YOUTH RECREATIONAL FACILITIES</i>	<i>COMMUNITY SERVICES FACILITIES</i>
<i>Western Washington workshops</i>	Mon., April 3, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Red Lion Hotel Seattle South Duwamish Room 11244 Tukwila International Blvd. Seattle 206/762-0300	Tues., April 25, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Red Lion Hotel Seattle South Duwamish Room 11244 Tukwila International Blvd. Seattle 206/762-0300	Mon., May 15, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Red Lion Hotel Seattle South Duwamish Room 11244 Tukwila International Blvd. Seattle 206/762-0300
<i>Eastern Washington workshops</i>	Thurs., April 6, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Moses Lake Convention Center Rocky Ford Room 1475 Nelson Rd. NE Moses Lake 509/766-1416	Thurs., April 27, Noon-3:00 p.m. Moses Lake Convention Center Rocky Ford Room 1475 Nelson Rd. NE Moses Lake 509/766-1416	Thurs., May 18, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Moses Lake Convention Center Rocky Ford Room 1475 Nelson Rd. NE Moses Lake 509/766-1416

WHAT'S NEW

New listserv, more workshops

We've set up a free listserv to provide you with "real-time" news and ideas about how to write the best possible grant application. To join this listserv go to:

<http://listserv.wa.gov/archives/capital-programs.html>

Even if you are familiar with our programs, you are strongly encouraged to sign up for the listserv and attend one of our grant application workshops (see chart on left).

Congressional aide joins CTED

We would like to welcome Michael Kendall to our staff. A 35-year resident of Washington, Mike comes to us from Congressman Brian Baird's office, where he handled federal grant issues. He will be the lead contact for Youth Recreational Facilities grants and share Building for the Arts responsibilities with Steven Salmi. Mike has taken the place of Jason Zittel, who has headed off to law school.

Prevailing wages now required

As a result of a recent court ruling, construction projects that receive any of our grants are required to pay state prevailing wages. Construction labor includes landscaping.

Acquisition-only projects are exempt from state prevailing wage law (RCW 39.12). Note that these projects must result in a usable facility.

The Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) is the lead state agency in implementing prevailing wage law. For more information, contact L&I Industrial Statistician David Soma at 360/902-5330 or somd235@LNI.wa.gov.

Some grantees may need LEED

The 2005 Washington State Legislature passed a law that may require many of our competitive grant recipients to comply with what has been termed "high-performance" or "green" building standards (RCW 39.35D).

The legislation's goal is for major capital facilities projects receiving state dollars to be built to the LEED silver standard where "practicable." LEED (which stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a certification program run by the U.S. Green Building Council.

According to the American Institute of Architects, high-performance buildings are cheaper to operate, save water and energy, and improve worker performance.

These building principles offer the most savings when

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This spring we will accept applications for the next funding cycle of our three competitive grant programs.

Each of these programs offers reimbursement-style matching grants to nonprofit organizations for the acquisition, construction, and/or *major* renovation of facilities. (Operating costs are ineligible.)

The Legislature created these programs to help coordinate the many requests it receives for capital funds. They are paid for through the sale of state bonds (no federal funds are involved). Grant applications are accepted every two years.

Each of our competitive grant programs has a citizen advisory board that reviews grant applications and submits a ranked list of recommended projects to the Governor and the Legislature. Each grant program also has a funding target, but the Legislature may award whatever amount it deems appropriate.

Awardees can expect to gain access to their funds by September 2007, and can be reimbursed for eligible expenses incurred as far back as July 1, 2004.

You may only submit one application per project, so think carefully about which grant you decide to apply for.

Competition for these grants is high. Before writing your application we strongly encourage you to join our new listserv (see Page 3), attend one of our grant application workshops, and discuss your project with CTED Capital Programs staff. The chart to your right lists when application materials will become available. We look forward to hearing from you!

— Daniel Aarthun, Manager

LEED standards *(Continued from previous page)*

incorporated early in the design process. That's why ***we strongly encourage you to talk with your architect as soon as possible.*** The first issue you'll want to explore is whether your project must meet the LEED silver standard. There are two types of exemptions.

Exemption 1: Facility types

These facilities are exempt:

- New construction less than 5,000 gross square feet of occupied or conditioned space as defined by the State Energy Code;

- Renovation projects whose costs are less than 50 percent of the facility's assessed value *and* are less than 5,000 gross square feet of occupied or conditioned space; or

- Facilities such as hospitals; transmitter buildings; research facilities primarily used for sponsored laboratory experimentation, laboratory research, or laboratory training in research methods; or similar building types.

Exemption 2: "Not practicable"

We may exempt applicants who demonstrate that it would be "not practicable" to meet the LEED silver standard. We are not permitted to offer this exemption solely because of cost, but may for timing-related complications.

Pre-application exemption requests

You don't need to wait until you turn in a grant application to find out if your project will be

Free LEED workshops!

Check our website for details on all-day workshops that can provide your design team with hands-on advice on how to integrate high-performance features into your project.

If this requirement poses a genuine hardship for you, please don't give up on applying for one of our grants without talking to us.

exempted. Our website has an exemption request form that you and your architect fill out. We will quickly let you know if your exemption request is approved.

Checklist gives you bonus points

Everyone who submits a grant application is required to fill out a "High-Performance Building Checklist," either as part of your application or when you submit an exemption request. Your architect fills out the checklist — which is similar to the LEED-NC version 2.2 project checklist — and certifies that it accurately reflects your project's design goals.

For every point you earn on the checklist you will receive one fourth of a bonus point in our grant application scoring criteria, up to 10 points. For example, if you received 20 points on your checklist, your score would be increased by five bonus points.

Visit our web page and talk to us

We've just created a web page devoted to this new requirement. There you'll find all of the needed forms, sources of technical information, and links to grant opportunities that may help you cover extra up-front costs.

We recognize that this new requirement may pose a genuine hardship for some. If that is the case with your project, don't give up on applying for one of our grants without talking to us first.

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